

South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Meeting
Thursday, February 1, 2007, at 9:30 A.M.
Cactus Conference Room, PUC Offices, State Capitol Building
Pierre, South Dakota

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AGENDA OF THE AD HOC COMMISSION MEETING

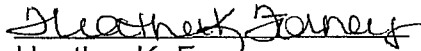
Telecommunications

- 1. TC06-181 In the Matter of the Petition of Venture Communications Cooperative for Suspension or Modification of Local Dialing Parity Reciprocal Compensation Obligations (Staff Analyst: Harlan Best, Staff Attorney: Kara Van Bockern)**

On October 24, 2006, Venture Communications Cooperative (Venture) filed a Petition for Suspension or Modification of Local Dialing Parity and Reciprocal Compensation Obligations. In its Petition, Venture states that it seeks to modify the dialing parity and reciprocal compensation obligations in 47 U.S.C. § 251 (b) (3) and (5) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. Venture is requesting "modification of the dialing parity requirement such that Venture is not required to provide local dialing and it is not required to transport traffic outside of its service territory or beyond the wireline local calling area. Venture also requests a modification of the reciprocal compensation requirements such that it is not required to pay reciprocal compensation on traffic terminating to a wireless carrier within the same MTA that is handed off to an IXC in accordance with Venture's wireline local calling areas. Venture also requests a modification of the symmetrical compensation requirement and requests that the Commission base compensation for wireless carrier's on the wireless carrier's forward looking cost study. Venture also requests immediate temporary suspension of the 251(b) (3) and (5) requirements as described above pending this Commission's consideration of this request." The South Dakota Telecommunications Association (SDTA) filed a Petition for Intervention on November 6, 2006. Rural Cellular

Corporation (RCC) and Alltel Communications, Inc. (Alltel) filed Petitions for Intervention on November 13, 2006. The Commission granted intervention to SDTA at its November 14, 2006, meeting. The Commission granted intervention to RCC and Alltel at their Ad Hoc Meeting on November 20, 2006. On January 12, 2007, Alltel filed a Request to Use the Office of Hearing Examiners. On January 26, 2007, Venture filed a brief in Opposition to Request of Alltel Communications, Inc. to Use the Office of Hearing Examiners. Alltel will be filing a brief in support of their position.

TODAY, what is the Commission's Decision?



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